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**Governors State University
Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes, June 16, 2005**

Senators (Present = X):

<u> </u> E. Alozie	<u> X </u> H. Heino	<u> X </u> W. Rudloff
<u> X </u> P. Blobaum	<u> </u> M. Kasik	<u> </u> A. Sanders
<u> </u> L. Buyer	<u> </u> J. Klomes	<u> X </u> J. Shen
<u> X </u> D. Chung	<u> </u> J. Lingamneni	<u> X </u> N. Shlaes-recorder
<u> </u> G. Cook	<u> X </u> G. Lyon	<u> X </u> C. Tymkow
<u> X </u> D. Diers	<u> </u> Z. Malik	<u> </u> B. Wilson
<u> </u> G. Garrett	<u> X </u> R. Muhammad	<u> X </u> B. Winicki
<u> </u> B. Hansen-Shaw	<u> X </u> L. Proudfit	<u> X </u> J. Zhao

Guests: Paul Keys (Provost), Colleen Rock Cawthon (Provost)

Lyon called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The Senate reviewed the minutes of the May meeting. Minor corrections recommended. Zhao moved the minutes be accepted. Diers seconded. The motion was unanimously accepted.

Reports**Provost (Keys)**

The Provost reported that GSU gained additional supplemental funding from the legislature. Keys wrote the original requests for faculty positions in each college. Meeting next week the President will be holding a university wide meeting to discuss the budget. Keys said this reverses a 3.5 year trend of level or cut funding. The university will be working to make this funding permanent in the budget.

University Curriculum Committee (Muhammad)

See report. Heino discussed the importance of reviewing certificate programs

IBHE Faculty Advisory Committee (Wojcik)

Get report from Gary

Educational Policies Committee (Blobaum)

Policy 20 and policy 60. Muhammad moved both policies be approved. Diers seconded. Unanimously approved. Policy 35 Candidate are expected to provide service. Shen moved to amend the policy. Proudfit seconded. Passed unanimously.

Academic Program Review Committee (Heino)

APRC has not finalized the program reviews on 4 CBPA and 3 on CHP. Next week the committee will finalize and he will report on the results of these cyclical reviews. Memo on institutional research to Eric Martin. Gary made a recommendation in Executive that the Chairman of APRC be involved with institutional research Heino wants this the Senate to support the Memo. Requests the full faculty senate. Lyon moved that in the committee that develops it that the committee should include the chair of aprc as a voting member . Muhammad seconded. Unanimously carried

University Assessment Committee (Wojcik)

No report

Bargaining Unit (Katz)

No report.

Faculty Senate Executive Committee (Lyon)

It was requested that Lyon talk to Martin about addressing the senate about students' writing skills (Executive). He will speak to both in September or October. "Who Votes"...Buyer resigned from the ... A draft letter of explanation regarding the resolution. Lyon will take the comments of the Senate and rewrite the letter and send the letter out to faculty. Heino reminded that when permanent faculty come against this issue in their program.

Faculty Elections

Senate election material will be emailed to faculty immediately. Those on a 10 month contract will have the material mailed directly to their home addresses. Shlaes will meet with Rock tomorrow to finalize election material.

OLD BUSINESS

Creation of Task Force to Investigate Online Course Module Assessment

See Faculty Senate Executive Committee report above.

Tenure-track & Tenured Faculty Voting on Divisions/Colleges Curricular Issues

The Executive Committee recommended the Senate adopt a resolution that tenured/tenure-track faculty shall have the sole authority to develop and implement academic policies and by-laws at the program, division, department, and college levels. Heino moved to send the resolution to deans and department chairs, Kasik 2nd. Discussion centered on applying this resolution consistently throughout the colleges. The motion was passed unanimously. Proudfit moved a copy of the resolution approved be sent to the Provost, Deans, Department chairs, program coordinators and copied to the faculty. Kasik seconded. The motion was passed with one abstention. Kosmoski said that GSU is following a national trend in hiring more lecturers.

Privacy (Rashidah) See Ex Notes Grievance

Discussion on student privacy: if a student emails an instructor and copies others, can the instructor included the copied persons when responding to the student? It was advised to act with discretion.

NEW BUSINESS

Volunteers for SEI Task Force

Discussion centered on emailing for volunteers to serve of the SEI Task Force. Rudloff has a copy of a memo from the last time such a task force was created. He will share it with the Senate. Estep is interested in being a member. The task force will be made up of tenure/tenure-tracked faculty.

Strategic Plan

Buyer presented the GSU Strategic Priorities FY2006-2009.

Adjournment

Heikki moved to adjourn the meeting. Katz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.